

Community Service Area (CSA) 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District

FY 2026 – 2027 Benefit Assessment and Services

County of Santa Barbara
Board of Supervisors Hearing
June 9, 2026

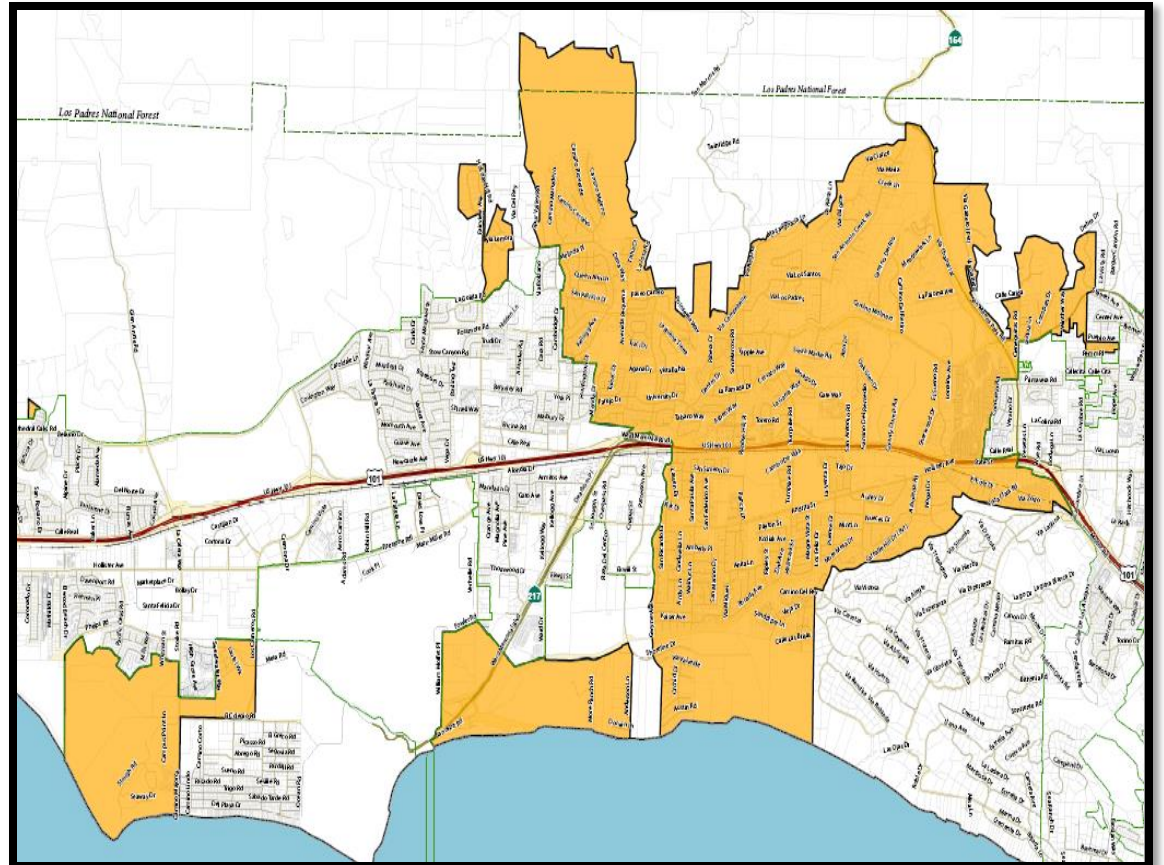


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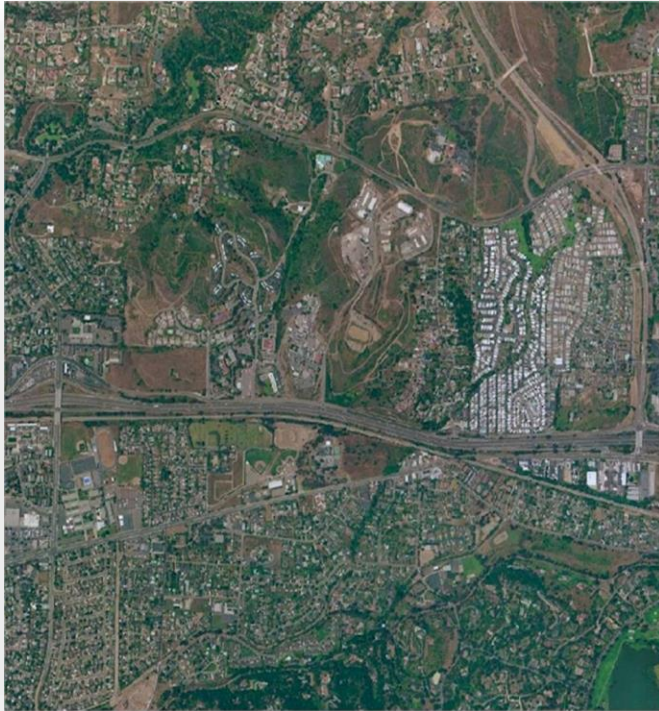
Goleta Valley CSA 3

Created in 1963. Provides:

- Streetlighting for unincorporated Goleta and Santa Barbara
- Open space and park maintenance and improvements
- Median and tree trimming maintenance and improvements



Goleta Valley CSA 3 – Funding



Benefit assessments fund:

- Streetlighting operation and maintenance

Property tax revenue funds:

- Supplements streetlighting
- Median and open space maintenance and improvements
- Additional street tree trimming around streetlights
- Park related equipment purchases and activities

Goleta Valley CSA 3 – Fund Status

- The proposed Benefit Assessment is unchanged from last year with a base rate of \$24 per year
- Fund Balance is acceptable



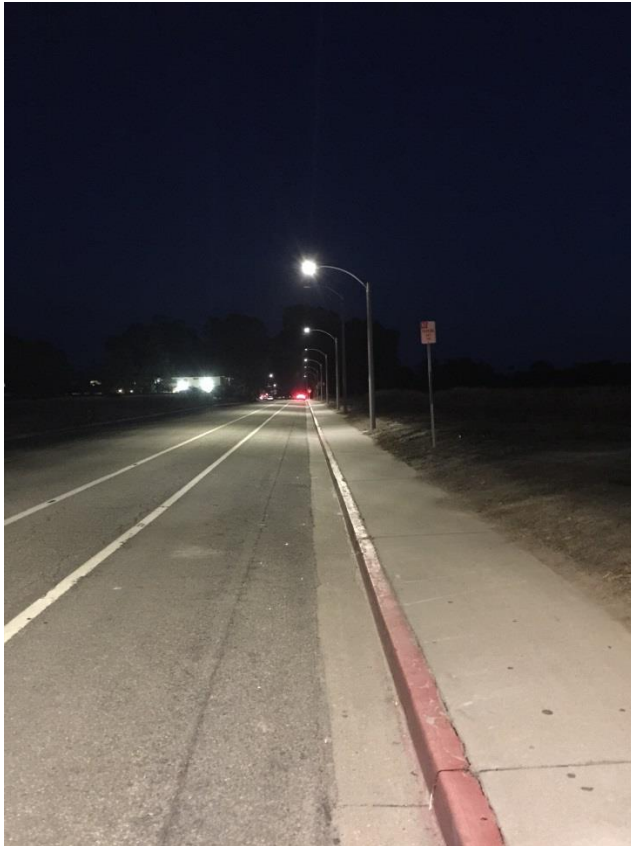
Isla Vista CSA 31

Created in 1963. Provides:

- Streetlighting for Isla Vista
- Streetscape and landscape installation and maintenance



Isla Vista CSA 31 – Funding



- Streetlighting benefit assessment and property taxes fund streetlighting operation and maintenance
- Property tax revenue funds hardscape and landscape improvements

Isla Vista CSA 31 – Fund Status

- The proposed Benefit Assessment is unchanged from last year with a base rate of \$12.93 per year
- Fund Balance is acceptable



North County Lighting District

- Created in 1994
- Provides streetlighting in the communities of Orcutt, Los Alamos, Casmalia and the unincorporated areas of Lompoc and Santa Maria
- Funds streetlighting only
- In the unincorporated Santa Maria zone (CSA 5 boundary), a benefit assessment rate up to \$14.73 can be considered, and certain tracts in Santa Maria and Lompoc can implement tract specific benefit assessments.



North County Lighting District – Fund Status

- The proposed benefit assessments are to remain at zero.
- Fund Balance is acceptable



Recommended Actions

- a) Adopt the resolution setting a Departmental Hearing on June 9, 2026 to establish benefit assessments for County Service Area 3, County Service Area 31 and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District (Attachment A) ; and
- b) At the Departmental Hearing on June 9, 2026 consider the following recommendations:
 - i. Receive and file Benefit Assessment Reports for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for County Service Area 3, County Service Area 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District with the Clerk of the Board (Attachments C, D, and E);
 - ii. Adopt the resolution establishing streetlighting charges (no changes proposed), for County Service Areas 3 for fiscal year 2026-2027 (Attachment F);
 - iii. Adopt the resolution establishing streetlighting charges (no changes proposed), for County Service Areas 31 for fiscal year 2026-2027 (Attachment G);
 - iv. Do not establish the benefit assessments (set to zero) in those portions of the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District authorized to do so for fiscal year 2026-2027; and
 - v. Determine that the above actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CCR 14 Section 15273(a)(1),(2),(3) and (4) of the State CEQA Guidelines because they are for the establishment of benefit assessment rates for services provided by County Service Areas 3 and 31, that no expansion of services or facilities will result, that revenues will be used for meeting operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements, and approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption on that basis (Attachment H).